

## MINUTES OF



### RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2005 6:00 p.m.

#### MEMBERS PRESENT

Member: Kit Smith  
Member: Mike Montgomery  
Member: Paul Livingston  
Member: Joseph McEachern  
Member: Valerie Hutchinson

**ALSO PRESENT:** Bernice G. Scott, Damon Jeter, Joyce Dickerson, Doris Corley, Tony Mizzell, Larry Smith, T. Cary McSwain, Milton Pope, Tony McDonald, Ashley Bloom, Roxanne Matthews, Rodolfo Callwood, Andy Metts, Marsheika Martin, Michielle Cannon-Finch, Chris Eversmann

**CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting started at approximately 6:08 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES: January 25, 2005** – Mr. Montgomery moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to approve the minutes as published. The vote in favor was unanimous.

#### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Ms. Smith stated that item-A (Conservation Easements Policy) will be moved after item-F (Pawnshop Application for West Bridge Pawn, Inc).

Mr. Montgomery moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to adopt the agenda as re-ordered. The vote in favor was unanimous.

#### ITEMS FOR ACTION

##### **Department of Public Works: Fiscal Year 2005 Budget Amendment Request**

Ms. Smith stated this is a shift in personnel positions.

Mr. Livingston moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to approve. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Emergency Services Department: Vehicle Purchase** – Mr. Montgomery moved, seconded by Mr. Livingston, to forward to Council with a recommendation for approval. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Department of Public Works: Purchase of 2 Tractor/Mowers**

Mr. Chris Eversmann, Public Works Director, stated that these items are available off of statewide contract.

Mr. McEachern moved, seconded by Mr. Livingston, to approve. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**2004 Assessment Roll for the Village at Sandhill Improvement District**

Ms. Smith stated this is a list of firms that have to pay into this assessment district. She stated there are currently only one or two but it will change over time as the development grows.

Ms. Hutchinson moved, seconded by Mr. Livingston, to approve the resolution and forward to Council. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Pawnshop Application for West Bridge Pawn, Inc.** – Mr. McEachern moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to approve the application. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Conservation Easements Policy**

Ms. Smith stated this was drafted by the Conservation Commission at the request of Council. She stated that Ms. Bailey, the Chairman of the Conservation Commission, was present.

A discussion took place.

Mr. Montgomery moved, seconded by Mr. McEachern, to amend the proposed ordinance to include a user fee to recoup all costs, including staff, time in reviewing requests for endorsements of conservation easements to which the County is not a party.

Ms. Hutchinson wanted the ordinance to be clear regarding who would be reviewing it, County staff or the Conservation Commission.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Mr. Montgomery moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to approve the resolution. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Cooperative Health Care Centers, Inc.**

Mr. Livingston briefed the Committee on this issue.

Mr. Livingston moved, seconded by Ms. Smith, to forward to Council with the recommendation for the Chair to appoint a Committee of three or four individuals with the responsibility of meeting with Dr. Hamilton and his staff, talk about things that can be done and whether funding will come from the County or the Alliance which is committed to indigent care.

Ms. Smith recommended that Council take a look at the recommendations and report that were made by a consultant with the Health Policy Research at the University of South Carolina. She stated this could be a beginning point for discussions. Ms. Smith asked that this be incorporated into the motion. Mr. Livingston accepted.

A discussion took place.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

**ADJOURNMENT** – The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:30 p.m.

Submitted by,

Kit Smith, Chair

The minutes were transcribed by Marsheika G. Martin